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PLANNING THE ROYAL TOUR

The great task of organisation is now almost complete

Plans for the Queen's tour are now almost complete, but only after months, even years, of preparation.

Behind the scenes, unknown to most people, an army of officials have been busy studying every aspect of the tour, every problem, every detail; and a correspondent here gives some idea of the wide range and intricacy of their great task—a triumph of organisation.

DISTANCE, weather, the time of year, the size of airfields, the depth of harbours, the gauge of railway lines, the condition of roads—all these factors have been studied in planning the Queen's progress by aircraft, ship, train, and car.

The history, customs, occupations, and local pride of the Dominions and Colonies the Queen will visit have all been taken into consideration in organising the varying ceremonies and functions which she and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend.

Accommodation for the Royal party, security arrangements, how the Queen will keep in constant touch with her Ministers at Westminster—all have been planned down to the smallest detail.

EXACT TIMETABLE

Even the exact number of seconds required to descend the steps of an air gangway have been checked, in order to prepare the most exact of timetables.

The tour will last from November 23 until May 15 next year, and the Queen will visit 12 British Dominions and Colonies during her voyage round the world. She and the Duke of Edinburgh know what they will do at every hour of every day throughout the tour.

The tour was first contemplated when the Dominions of Australia and New Zealand asked George

the Sixth to visit them. First planned for 1949, it was postponed until 1952, because of the King's illness, and then delegated to Princess Elizabeth. She was actually in Kenya on the first stage of that tour when she succeeded to the throne.

The first request for a visit is passed informally to the Sovereign through the Private Secretary. Only when this has been agreed in principle, and an approximate time fixed, are the public informed.

A rush of further invitations follows from countries approximately on the route, and as many as possible are fitted in.

STRENUOUS TOUR

Time saved by air travel has enabled the Queen to include visits to Bermuda and Jamaica, but she has regretfully had to decline Canada's invitation to return overland from Vancouver after her visit to Australasia; it is felt that after a most strenuous tour the Queen will by then be too tired for such an undertaking.

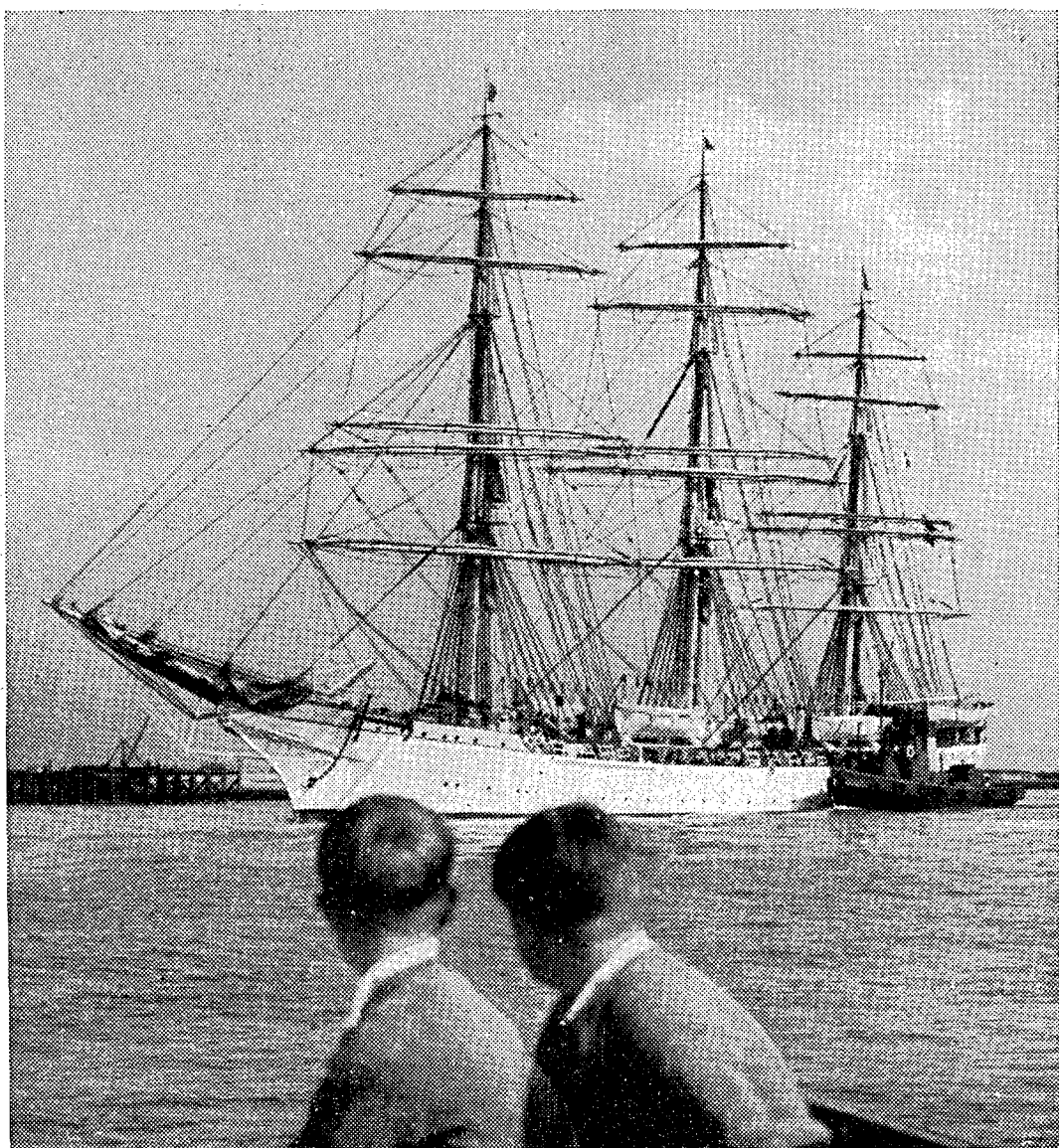
The tour was planned, roughly at first, then in ever more detail, by the governments of the countries which the Queen will visit. The places the Queen will visit, the people she will meet, the things she will do, are suggested by the Dominions and Colonies themselves—not by her.

But she has gone carefully through the plans, and has made a number of suggestions, which are directed toward more practical working of the tour from her own knowledge of ceremonial occasions, which is already considerable.

THE QUEEN'S WISH

At the Queen's request, some of the natural wonders of the lands she will visit, and particularly their wild life, have been included, but she will possibly see less of the countryside and ordinary life than many tourists.

But the great preparations that have been made for the Royal Tour enable the greatest possible number of Australians, New Zealanders, Sinhalese, Fijians, Bermudans, Jamaicans, and the rest (not forgetting the Tongans), to see and welcome their Queen. Of the warmth of that welcome nobody can be in any doubt.



Danish visitor to London

The square-rigged barque Danmark, training ship of the Danish Government, is seen in the picture above anchored at Greenwich during her recent visit to London on her way to Brazil.

The Danmark, which is used for the training of future officers of the Danish Navy (the only navy which requires mates to be trained in sail) was carrying 116 boys and 17 seniors who act as instructors.

Of the year that trainees serve in the ship three months are spent in Baltic waters and the rest is taken up in sailing to different parts of the world.

The Danmark can cover 200 miles a day, and has even travelled as much as 280 miles.

VISITING THE CLAN

Dame Flora MacLeod of MacLeod, 75-year-old chief of the ancient Clan MacLeod, received a real Highland welcome when she arrived in New York from Scotland.

It was her first official visit to American members of a far-flung family, and she was duly piped ashore.

During her stay she will introduce the American MacLeods to their next hereditary chief, her 18-year-old grandson, John MacLeod Younger of MacLeod.

FALCONRY IS FUN

Falconry is one of the unusual spare-time hobbies popular at Forton House Preparatory School for Boys, at Chard, in Somerset.

Young kestrel hawks, obtained when they are almost able to fly, are tamed and trained to fly from one boy's hand to that of another 50 to 100 yards away.

LOFTY VIEW

A camera capable of photographing 50 square miles from a height of 50,000 feet is being developed for British reconnaissance aircraft.

CAT IN THE BOX

Employees at a motor works near Johannesburg have been lamenting the disappearance of their cat Tammas, who arrived there from Scotland in a box of spare parts.

Tammas's travels began at a motor works near Glasgow, where he crept into the box and fell asleep. It was nailed up, put on a ship for Durban, and arrived at Johannesburg some four weeks later.

When the African workers there opened it they yelled: "Lô kat! Lô kat!"

Poor Tammas, the sleek contented pet of the Scottish firm, was now just a bag of bones, and unconscious. The workers nursed him back to his former well-rounded self, and he became as much a favourite at Johannesburg as doubtless he had been in Scotland.

Recently, however, a Zulu watch-boy at the factory gates told a CN correspondent sadly that Tammas had departed. But wherever he turns up he can be sure of a welcome, for he is as great a social success as he is a globe-trotter.

Champion



Fiorella Negro, 15-year-old Italian ice-skating champion, makes a graceful leap while practising at Streatham.

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IMPORTANT CHANGES IN DENMARK

CN Diplomatic Correspondent

THE Danes take pride in their traditional calm. On joyful occasions, when people of many other countries would most likely be throwing their hats in the air, a Dane just smiles. And that he still smiles in times of national crisis was born out by the conduct of the elections last month.

It was the third time this year that Denmark had gone to the polls. But on this occasion, strangely enough, it was more because of political agreement than any party conflict.

There had been amicable agreement throughout the country to change the constitution, and it was decided last year to put it to the country that the Upper House of the Danish Parliament should be abolished. In its place was to be a single Chamber, the Folketing.

True to the national character, Denmark's legislators arranged safeguards against hasty, ill-considered action. The matter was debated and passed through two sessions of Parliament.

Then Parliament dissolved, and a referendum proved that the plan had the people's assent.

INVADERS MOVE IN

Not long ago CN reported that two seagulls had nested and reared their family on a buoy in Cardiff's busy East Dock.

Now, from Walker-on-Tyne, comes news of another strange nesting-place—high up in the tower crane at Vickers-Armstrong's naval yard, where a pair of kestrel hawks have made their home in a rook's nest.

Kestrels frequently take advantage of deserted nests, but in this case they did not wait until the rooks had vacated their home, and a dour struggle ensued. But not until the rooks had almost reared their family did they leave the nest.

The kestrels then took over, and five eggs were hatched.

PIRATE SHIP VISITS NEW YORK

The Jolly Roger should have fluttered from the mast of a ship which arrived at New York not long ago.

Pirates with painted faces, black eye patches, and cutlass "scars" swarmed over the decks while two of them fought with swords, each trying to make the other "walk the plank."

Everybody enjoyed the fun, however, for it was only British sailors of one of our cruisers showing true Royal Navy hospitality to American children who had been invited aboard for a party.

PLEASED TO REMEMBER

A big firm of canners in Sheffield had piles and piles of fruit boxes for disposal.

Within two hours of their decision to give them away children from all over the city had appeared, heaped them onto prams, wheelbarrows, trolleys, and bicycles—and the piles of boxes had disappeared.

The boys and girls had been pleased to remember the Fifth of November!

There were other important revisions to the constitution at the same time. One was a change in the law of succession so that King Frederik's daughter, Princess Margrethe, could become heir to the throne instead of his brother, Prince Knud.

Another alteration was to raise Greenland from the status of a colony to an integral part of Denmark. For the first time Greenlanders were given a vote in the Danish Elections, and returned two Members to Parliament.

YOUNG VOTERS

The Danish Electoral Roll was also altered to give greater representation to youth. The age limit for voting was lowered from 25 to 23 years, thus allowing 120,000 more young people to take part at the polls.

In some other European countries a political atmosphere such as this would have been at fever-heat—party clashing with party, and tempers strained to breaking point.

But the Danes, in their placid way, seem to have decided that no single party should have too much power. They felt that each one of several parties had beneficial policies to offer.

The Social Democrats were given the most seats in the new Folketing, with Liberals and Conservatives next, and a few seats for other parties. But no party can govern without support from at least one other.

King Frederik has seen all the party leaders, and various combinations have been discussed in the formation of a Cabinet.

HEAVY BURDEN

It might appear that there is little stability in such a situation for the Government, and this would probably be the case elsewhere than in Denmark. But, in fact, the elections have not greatly altered the position, and there is no cause to believe that Denmark is slipping towards political disruption.

It would be a sad blow to the Western nations if this even-tempered democracy met serious trouble. Like Norway, Denmark is a loyal upholder of the ideals of an Atlantic Community.

The cost has not been easy to bear. By joining the defence efforts of the West the Danish Budget has trebled in the last three years, and a considerable proportion of the revenue is spent on national security. Denmark deserves well of her Western neighbours.

£30,000 A DAY

When a Sheffield civic party visited a chemical works at Thorncliffe they were told by the managing director that it was necessary for the firm to receive orders at the rate of £30,000 a day. Unless this was achieved some of the 4000 employees would be idle.

First round-the-world flight

The thrilling story of the first solo flight round the world has been told again in an address by Mr. Preston R. Bassett, president of the Sperry Gyroscope Corporation, to the Anglo-American aeronautical conference in London.

The flight was made in 1933 by an American pilot, Wiley Post, who two years earlier had flown round the world in 8 days 15 hours with his friend Harold Gatty as

Pigeon post



An unexpected "delivery" at a London office was this pigeon sheltering from the rain.

navigator. Wiley Post decided that he would try to fly round the world alone, himself acting as navigator while a newly-developed automatic pilot did the rest.

He was able to take a series of rests by fixing a device that would wake him. Tying a small wrench to his little finger, he would doze off holding the wrench in his hand. When he relaxed completely his hand opened and the wrench fell, tugging at his finger, and thus waking him. He would then inspect the instruments, check up, and take another rest in the same way.

Thus did a courageous and adventurous man make the first solo flight round the world—in 7 days 18 hours.

OLD COTTAGES FOR A MUSEUM

Having for some time had his eye on two 400-year-old cottages in the village of Easingwold, the curator of the York Castle Museum was dismayed to see them being demolished.

He wrote to the owner, and as a result the frontages of the two cottages have been given to the museum, and will eventually take their place in the famed display of a street of bygone days.

PRESENT FOR THE FUTURE

AN ideal present—one that lasts for a whole year—can be had for 17s. 4d. For this sum Children's Newspaper will be sent every week for a year to any address in the world.

PLEASE send your remittance, together with the full name and address of the friend to whom the CN is to be sent, to *Subscription Department, Children's Newspaper, The Fleetway House, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.4*, and we will do the rest.

News from Everywhere

PONY FOR THE QUEEN

Norah of Meggernie, a two-year-old filly from Meggernie Castle, Glenlyon, has been presented to the Queen by the Highland Pony Society.

A wrist radio receiver with a range of 40 miles has been perfected by the American Army.

Fragments of stained glass from churches destroyed in France and Belgium during the war are to be used for a window at the Toc H in Bedford.

THE AMERICAN WAY

The Beddington and Wallington Road Safety Committee is considering adopting the American road safety scheme by which senior school children act as road patrols to see that younger children cross safely. (See also page 11.)

Nottingham Public Library has received on loan a collection of poems and other writings of Mrs. Lucy Hutchinson, wife of the Colonel Hutchinson who defended Nottingham Castle for Parliament during the Civil War.

YOUNG RINGERS

A course in church bell ringing is to be held for young people between 14 and 17 at Thaxted, Essex.

The British Red Cross Society is to give first-aid training to members of the Girls' Nautical Training Corps.

DEEPEST DIVE

Professor Auguste Piccard and his son have descended in their bathyscaphe more than 10,000 feet to the bed of the Mediterranean, the deepest dive ever made by man.

Leiston (Suffolk) Council has invited local inhabitants to design a coat-of-arms for the town.

STILL GOING STRONG

Fifty years ago Mr. F. S. Bennett drove his Cadillac on a 1000-mile reliability trial. Recently he took the same car on another trial, completing 1094 miles in eight days at an average speed of 21.25 m.p.h.—a faster average than his first run.

Thousands of children from Glasgow, Dundee, and Edinburgh have been helping with the Scottish potato harvest.

DUNDEE'S TRIBUTE

A Mary Slessor Corner has just been opened in Dundee Museum. It is a tribute to the millgirl who went out from Dundee as a missionary, and contains many articles and curios from Calabar, where she worked.

The Methodist Recorder, first published in 1861, has just issued its 5000th number.

America regained from Britain the air speed record when a delta-wing Douglas jet Skyray achieved an average speed of 753.4 m.p.h. in Southern California.

1 Gooseberry Cream
2 Coffee Cream
3 Caramel
4 Nougat
5 Praline Pâte
6 Turkish Delight

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MANCHESTER TO NEW YORK

The first direct air service between Manchester and New York starts on Thursday.

The Belgian airline, Sabena, is to operate a weekly service at tourist rates, flying from Brussels to Manchester, and then by way of Gandar (Newfoundland) to New York and back.

Four-engined 72-seater DC 6 airliners will be used.

The timetable gives departure from Ringway Airport, Manchester at 9.30 p.m. and arrival in New York at 9 o'clock the next morning. The return flight is timed to arrive in Manchester at 9 o'clock in the morning.

ABORIGINAL CAVE PAINTINGS

An English anthropologist, Mr. Peter Worsley, has been living for nine months among the Aborigines on Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria, northern Australia.

He has now returned to Queensland and reported the discovery of some unique cave paintings. One showed an early invasion of the island from Macassar in the Celebes. In another place there were paintings of European ships which the ancient Aborigines had seen in the distance.

DEEP IN THE OCEAN

Back at Portsmouth after a series of cruises in the eastern Atlantic, the famous Survey Ship Challenger is to go on the Reserve. She has been engaged on deep sea survey, but her scientists have also been noting sea temperatures and the migration of birds.

Her greatest discovery in 32 years of service was a depth of 5940 fathoms (35,640 feet) in the Pacific between Guam and Yap.

RED SQUIRREL ISLAND

On the Isle of Arran, in the Firth of Clyde, several hundreds of red squirrels are now busy preparing for their winter sleep.

They prove the success of an experiment started by the Duchess of Montrose some 15 years ago, when she took six pairs of red squirrels to Arran and set them free.

China bird



This is not a real Crown Condor but a porcelain model which was made for Augustus the Strong of Poland in 1731. It is at the Antiques Fair in London.

YUGOSLAV STATUE FOR NEW YORK

A statue of Peace is to be presented to the United Nations by the Yugoslav Government.

The work of a Yugoslav sculptor, Antun Augustineic, it is a bronze equestrian figure of a woman bearing the traditional olive branch, and it will be placed in the gardens of the headquarters building.

The stones for the base are also to be shipped from Yugoslavia.

OSPREY ON TRAWLER

An exhausted osprey with a wing span of six feet alighted on a trawler that was fishing 40 miles out from Aberdeen.

The crew put it in a bunk, where the bird spent the rest of the voyage, and fed it on raw meat until it regained its strength.

When the vessel put into port the osprey was taken to Aberdeen University, identified, and then released.

CRUEL SEA RELENTS

Two seamen were washed overboard from the Norwegian freighter Manihild while making fast some barrels of oil which had broken loose on the deck during an Atlantic storm.

Almost immediately another huge wave swept the two men back on deck.

SALVAGING A SHIP AT LIVERPOOL

Earlier this year the big Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Canada capsized after being ravaged by fire in Gladstone Dock, Liverpool. The ship was 23 years old and the damage sustained was so extensive that her owners declared her a "constructive total loss."

This meant that the vessel became the property of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, whose responsibility it is to remove all wrecks or other obstructions.

Salvaging the half-submerged liner, the biggest task of its kind ever undertaken in Britain, is likely to cost nearly £250,000, against which the Docks Board are expected to recover only about £50,000 for the ship's scrap value.

Some 200 men have been continuously employed on this work since the Spring, but the righting and refloating will not take place until December at the earliest.

MUSICAL FAREWELL

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, soon to leave for their tour Down Under, are to attend a Farewell Concert by Australian and New Zealand artists at the Royal Festival Hall next Monday.

The proceeds will go to a fund for the welfare of Australian and N.Z. music students in Britain.

One of the performers will be Inia te Wiata, the well-known Maori bass singer. Other New Zealanders are Colin Horsley and Alan Loveday, while Australia is represented by, among others, Eileen Joyce, Sylvia Fisher, and William Herbert.

Mr. Charles Mackerras of Australia will conduct the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, and a massed choir of 100 "Anzac" voices will sing the National Anthem and a choral work by the Australian composer Arthur Benjamin.

OLDEST FISH

Another specimen of a coelacanth, a prehistoric fish once thought to be extinct, has been caught off the east coast of Africa.

The fish is four feet long and weighs 88 lbs. A specimen caught last December was five feet long and weighed 127 lbs.

The coelacanth is believed to belong to a group that existed before any land animals, and was once thought to have been extinct for 50 million years.

MAN-MADE ISLAND

A new by-pass channel of the River Welland has turned part of Spalding into an island.

The two-mile channel, which will prevent flood danger to the town and surrounding lands, is part of a scheme to improve 30 miles of the river from the Wash to Stamford. It is 95 feet wide, and has seven road bridges and a railway bridge.

ICE-CREAM BY THE TON

Half a million gallons of ice-cream can be made every week in a new factory at Acton, Middlesex. And attached to it is the world's biggest ice-cream cold store, which can hold nearly 1000 tons.

Learning to fly



John, son of Sir Richard Fairey the aircraft manufacturer, in a training aircraft at White Waltham, Berkshire.

OLD FIREPLACE

A Tudor fireplace has been found at the Manor Farm, Noke, Oxfordshire, during restorations to the house, once the home of Gundrada, daughter of William the Conqueror.

According to legend, this old house is connected by an underground tunnel to another farm across the fields—a relic of the days of religious persecution.

TEACHING THE TEACHER

Among the "new girls" in a novices' pottery class at Derby Technical College this autumn is Miss I. M. Rodgers, headmistress of a large girls' secondary school.

She says, "I think it is important that a headmistress should sometimes become a pupil."

LONDON'S YOUNG SHOEMAKERS

Leicester, whose School of Boot and Shoe Manufacture was described in the C.N. not long ago, is not the only city which trains young people for this career. The Principal of London's Cordwainers Technical College has reminded us of the opportunities provided for young Londoners in this industry.

London is the second largest producer of footwear in Britain, a fact that is often overlooked as the Capital has so many different industries.

Young people working for London firms can attend free courses at the college one day a week, without loss of wages. Their training is, of course, also carried on continuously at their factories from the age of 15 until 18.

POST HASTE

Experimental "saw-toothed" counters are being introduced into a number of post offices to assist in giving quicker service.

The aim is to help people entering the post office to see what positions at the counter are free, and thus avoid long queues. Experience has shown that most people are likely to join the first queue in sight, so the G.P.O. thought that breaking up the counter into sections set at an angle to the entrance would enable the public to see the situation at a glance.

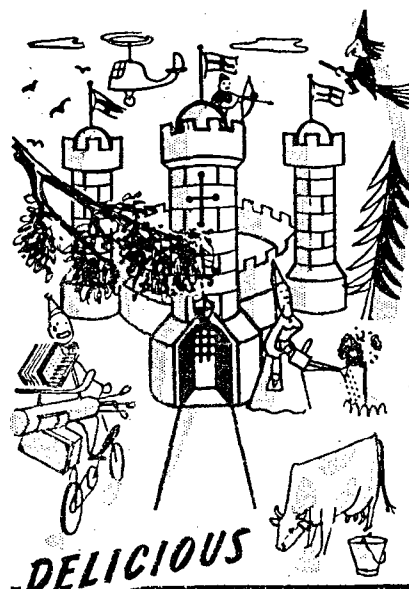
The first three post offices with the new counter are in Scarborough, Littlehampton, and Scunthorpe.

£100 IN PRIZES

MUST BE WON—

1st PRIZE £25

(or any gift you like, up to that value) 10 magnificent Watches or Cameras (whichever you prefer). 25 Consolation Prizes of 10/- each. Here's your chance to win one of these valuable gifts in good time for Christmas. It's an easy, exciting Curdy Castle Competition. All you need is pen, paper, and a sharp pair of eyes! Ready? Then follow the rules carefully and see how well you can do.



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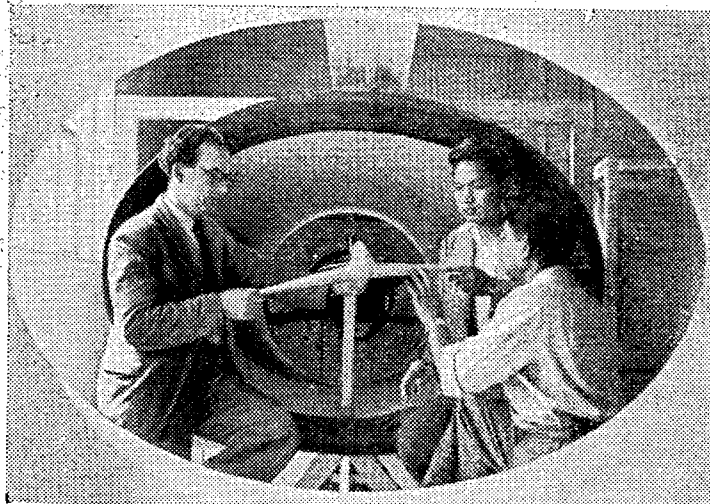
1. Study the picture closely and see how many things you can spot containing the letter "C" in their names.
2. Write a letter to "Curdy Castle Competition" at 43 Tooley St., London, S.E.1, telling us your age and giving a list of all the things you have spotted.
3. Sign your letter and get your parents or guardian to sign it, too, stating that it is all your own work.
4. Enclose one label from a box or portion of delicious Curdy Castle Cheese and post your letter to the above address in good time to reach us no later than November 30th.
5. Age and handwriting will be taken into consideration. The Judge's decision is final.

Now hurry up and win one of these wonderful prizes. Get your mother to put Curdy Castle on her shopping list TODAY... You'll love THAT, too.



On the cycle speedway

Cycle-racing on gravel tracks is fast becoming a popular sport, and here we see 21-year-old Frank Duffy of Hackney Comets taking a corner at speed.



University for airmen

At the Air Service Training establishment at Hamble, near Southampton, there are some 300 students from 22 countries. An instructor is here seen describing the purposes of a wind-tunnel to two students from Burma.

THE PASSING OF A PLAYFUL CHIMP

Thousands of children will lament the passing of Phillip, the 28-year-old chimpanzee of Edinburgh Zoo.

When he came from the British Cameroons 20 years ago he was already highly trained, having been taught by his master there to be a most useful "houseboy."

In the morning Phillip would fetch the paper and do other jobs about the house. When his master returned home in the evening he would bustle up, remove his shoes and socks, and fetch his slippers.

At Edinburgh Zoo Phillip gave endless delight to the children with his ever-varying repertoire of tricks. When he climbed onto his tricycle and dirt-tracked around at great speed he never failed to arouse shouts of laughter.

But most of all Phillip will be remembered for the part he played in the chimpanzees' tea-party during his early days at the zoo. He was noted for his table manners, but was not above waiting till his neighbour's head was turned and then snatching an extra banana.



By Ernest Thomson, our Radio and Television Correspondent

Heritage of youth

GILBERT HARDING, who has decided views about the young people of today, will take part in a Light Programme broadcast from the Cambridge University Debating Society on October 21. He will argue that "the youth of Britain are unworthy of their heritage." Youth will be defended by playwright and critic Kenneth Tynan.

Top of the Form again

TOP OF THE FORM, that general knowledge radio battle between different schools, opens its winter campaign in the Light on Thursday with the Girls' High School of Pontypool, Monmouthshire, opposing the Boys' County School at Gowerton, Glamorgan. Robert MacDermot and John Ellison will again be question masters.

In the coming weeks, I hear, Top of the Form will go to schools in islands off Britain's coasts. On the list are Lewis, Skye, the Isle of Man, the Isle of Wight—and Anglesey!

Frogmen in action

FEW figures are more grotesque than that of the naval "frogman" in his tight-fitting rubber suit, webbed feet, and cylinder of air-purifying chemicals which enables him to stay below for 90 minutes or more. But how many people have seen him in action under water? TV gives us the chance on Thursday when the cameras are set up at Wood Street Baths, Birmingham, for a display by men of the Royal Marines Amphibious School.

One camera peering through a window let into the side of the bath will show the frogmen below the surface, cutting nets and exploding depth charges.

Henry V

FIFTH and Sixth Formers will find it well worthwhile to stay up late next Monday to hear Shakespeare spoken by an outstanding theatrical cast. Henry V is the night's play in the Home Service World Theatre with John Clements as the king and Kay Hammond as Queen Katharine.

Other Shakespeare plays this winter will be Othello and A Midsummer Night's Dream.

Bright ideas

TV Inventors' Club continues to be one of the best "shop windows" for new gadgets. Among inventions submitted for showing at the next session, next Wednesday, is a mattress convertible into a shopping bag, a jar with a lid at both ends, and a quick puncture detector. Strangest device, perhaps, is an automatic "hen" for rearing young chicks. It keeps them warm without fuel.

Many appliances first seen on TV are taken up by manufacturers. Leslie Hardern, Inventors' Club organiser, tells me the record is held by a Yorkshire engineer who demonstrated a washing machine last June. More than a dozen manufacturers queued up for a licence to make it.

BRING-'EM-BACK-ALIVE FROST IS OFF AGAIN

By Craven Hill, CN Correspondent at London Zoo

AT London Zoo just now, making preparations for a six-month expedition into the heart of Borneo, is 76-year-old Mr. Wilfred Frost — "Bring-'em-back-alive" Frost, as they call him in the zoological world.

Only four months ago Mr. Frost returned from Malaya with a large collection of birds which he has since been selling to various British menageries. Now he has many commissions: Bristol Zoo, who want a pair of orang-utans; Bellevue Zoo, Manchester, who would like a couple of panthers; and Whipsnade, for whom Mr. Frost will try to bring back a pair of cassowaries.

Mr. Frost, the world's oldest animal collector, has been operating ever since 1900, and has made more than 50 trips to various parts of the East. Of his 76 years, this tall, sun-burned globe-trotter reckons he has spent at least 25 among the natives and wild animals of tropical jungles. Certain it is that he has supplied more British zoos than any other collector.

TALKING of Whipsnade reminds me that some animals there are now living in a state of complete freedom. They are some half-dozen Indian rhesus monkeys, who last year escaped from their official enclosure.

Catching them again presented such a problem for the authorities that they decided to let the monkeys remain free. The experiment has succeeded so well that now, I hear, there is little prospect of their ever having to be recaptured.

None of the monkeys stray far from the monkey enclosure. They keep to the nearby trees and are a constant source of pleasure—and surprise—to visitors.

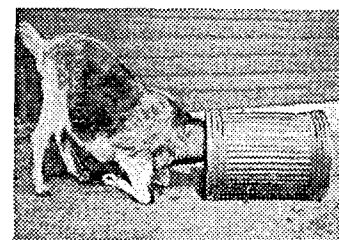
Numerous picnic parties this summer found themselves joined

by one or other of the animals sometimes by two or three at a time. But they need watching.

All have become expert thieves, and any bag or picnic basket laid on the grass is certain to be rifled, the animals having become practised at picking catches and undoing string.

INCIDENTALLY, there is another "young monkey" at Regent's Park. She is the goat Sally, of the Children's Zoo.

"Dustbin Sally," as they call her, is having the time of her life



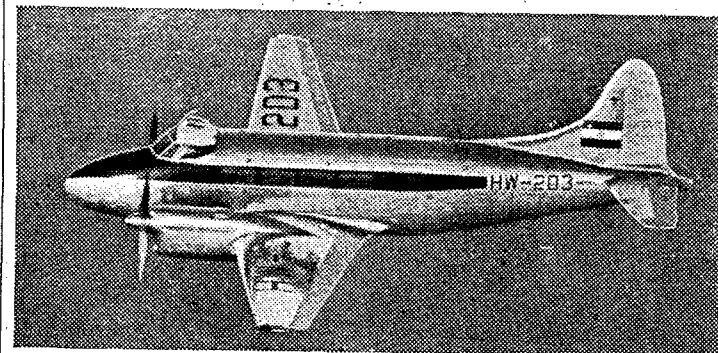
just now. The enclosure is closing shortly for the winter months, and every day, when no one is about, Sally makes a profitable round of the litter bins.

FROM a schoolboy (16-year-old R. W. Wilson, of Chalmley Gardens, London, N.W.6) the Zoo has just received three baby barn owls.

The lad, who was spending a holiday working on a farm in the home counties, noticed that work being carried on near the owls' nest in a barn had caused the parent birds to desert their young. After a day or two young Wilson went up to the nest and brought down the hungry, fluffy-coated owlets.

In passing on the owlets to the Zoo, he advised the authorities that if, when they have been reared, the Zoo did not want the birds, the owner of the farm on which he was working would be glad to have them back.

PLANES FOR THE SPOTTER'S NOTEBOOK



45. The De Havilland Devon

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ROUND THE TOWNS—Alan Ivimey goes to Leicestershire and visits . . .

MARKET HARBOUROUGH

THERE are certain English towns which acquired so much local fame as markets that they took the word "market" into their names.

And because, at the time when many of our towns were getting their names, both Anglo-Saxon and Norman-French were being spoken by different sections of the community some of these old trading centres incorporated the Saxon word "Chipping" (meaning "marketing") and others the Norman-French *marché*, which became "market."

Thus we have Chipping Campden and Chipping Barnet; Market Drayton and Market Rasen, and so on.

Market Harborough is an example of the latter. It stands where the road from Leicester to Northampton crossed the River Welland by means of a ford.

Here, on either side of the stream, there were two small villages called Bugeidon—now become Great and Little Bowden. It was not till more than a century after the Norman Conquest that the market at the ford got its own name of Haverburgh, which in time became changed to Har-

borough, and later, about 1600, to Market Harborough.

To this very day the market-place is still beside the river by the old ford, though that has long since been replaced by a bridge.

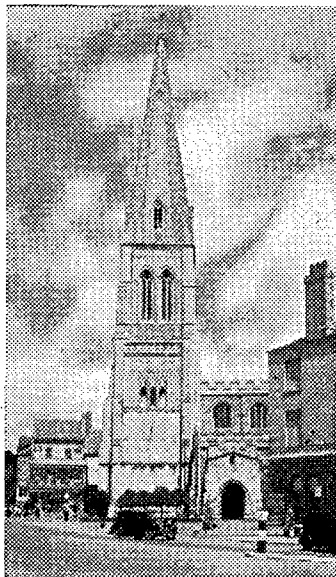
To look at the Welland at this point we might think any really energetic horse could jump it. But it must be remembered that slow-running streams like this were liable to flooding every winter and to the forming of marshes.

A ford with firm ground on either bank would, provided the river were shallow, be sure to be greatly used—hence the existence of Market Harborough at this particular point.

THE road from Leicester forms the High Street, which has handsome-looking coaching inns of the old days. Then, at the parish church, it widens into a triangular space with the roads from Rugby and Oundle and Peterborough running in from west to east.

A traffic roundabout and a car park have now taken the place of sheep pens and rows of tethered bullocks on a Tuesday—which has been Market Day since 1221—the animals now being found in the new Cattle Market on the other side of the river. But in High Street there are still the iron posts from which chains were hung to prevent beasts from getting into the shops and houses.

ONE of the hotels, with the queer name of The Saunt Pump, commemorates one of the town's four public pumps erected by a family named Saunt. To this tall,



The spacious Market Square of Market Harborough. The picture on the left shows the Church of St. Dionysius, with its 164-foot spire

Dionysius, a convert of St. Paul and first Bishop of Athens.

Inside, over the west arch which supports the tower, is a fine piece of carving showing the arms of Charles II. It was put here in 1660 to celebrate the Restoration.

Twenty years later the earliest of a number of charities and bequests, still vested in the church, was made. This was for a pair of shoes to be given every year to six poor widows. Another of these church charities, bearing the name of Saunt, was to buy blankets for old people.

There are many other local charities, some very wealthy, which together are known as The Town Estate and are managed by 15 publicly-elected Trustees called The Feoffees. Their secretary is called The Townsman.

ON the south side of the church is a delightful building—a timber-frame house with ornamented plaster walls, gables, and barge-boards, standing on stout oak legs set in stone bases.

Founded in James I's reign by Robert Smyth, a Harborough man who made his fortune in London, this was the town's Grammar School for over 300 years.

There is a modern Grammar School now; but the old one was used till the 1880's, and there is at least one old pupil still living in the town who learned his book here.

The late Sir William Bragg, one of Britain's most distinguished scientists, was also a pupil in the old school. The building is now

used for auctions, local exhibitions, and so on.

IF we look in the church we find that two large galleries were added in 1836. Obviously there must have been a sudden increase in population, and it did, in fact, grow from just over 1700 in the year 1801 to over 2400 in 1841.

It was in 1827 that a young Scotsman called William Symington came to the town and thought it a likely place for a coffee and tea business. He started one, invented a process for making pea flour, then turned to coffee-grinding and roasting.

The small factory he built was one of the first of Market Harborough's important modern industries.

William's second cousin came along, too, and founded a factory close by for making corsets, and this has developed into a manufactory of all kinds of women's and children's wear, the biggest firm of its kind in the world.

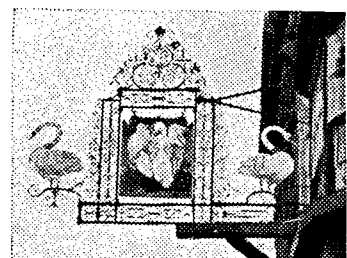
Market Harborough also makes electric trucks, fume extractors, sheet metal, electric batteries, rubber soles and heels, and also the brass and steel rules used by printers.

Some of the raw material arrives by canal, for there is a branch of the Grand Union Canal leaving the main waterway at Foxton Locks. This, incidentally, gives some miles of pleasant boating scenery, and it ends in a small wharf on the west side of High Street.

ONE of the nicest reminders of old Market Harborough was scratched with a diamond on a window-pane of what used to be The Bell, an old coaching inn in the Coventry Road. Preserved in the public library, which now occupies the site, it reads:

A. W. Bryan
breakfasted
here August
10th 1764 and
admiring the
Harborough
loaves eat 16 of
them with great
pleasure.

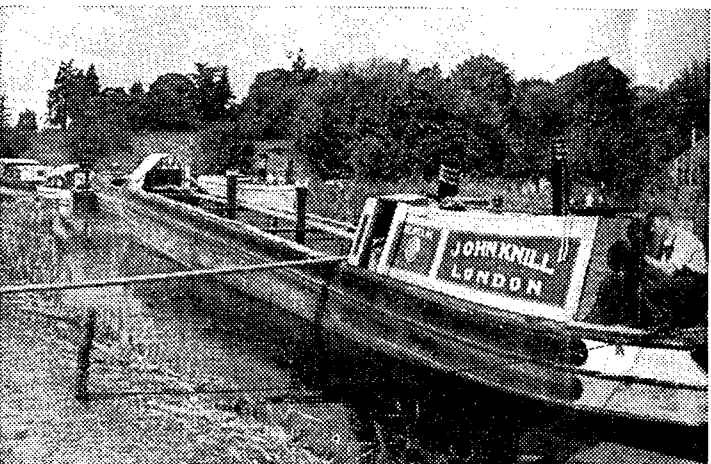
A. W. B.



The fine wrought-iron sign of the Three Swans inn



The broad expanse of High Street



Painted boats on the Grand Union Canal

eight-sided pillar with a knob on the top Harborough housewives used to come each morning with a great clanking of pails to pump their day's supply of water.

Down the side of the street was a stream crossed by five foot-bridges but, as coaching traffic increased, more and more of this stream was covered over until today nothing of it can be seen.

A little farther down High Street is the old red-brick town hall supported on a colonnade. It was once used as a theatre, and Justices Court, too.

With houses and shops this building forms a row splitting the thoroughfare, one arm being High Street, once called Great Street, and the other Church Street, once known as Little Street.

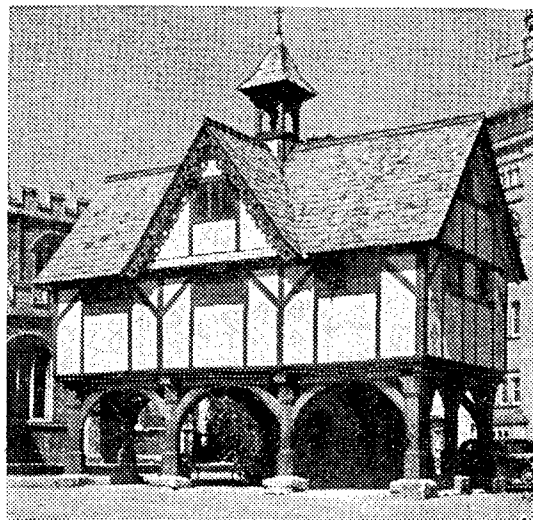
Both lead to the grey-yellow stone walls of the parish church which stands in its own open space, though it never had a graveyard attached. Here until recent times was held the weekly open-air produce market, now removed to the new market hall.

CHURCH STREET in its last few yards takes an attractive curve so that we come on the church suddenly, with the sort of view we expect to find in old Continental towns. And little passages—meant for thin folk only, we might think—lead off between the shops towards mysterious destinations out of sight, where once were the houses of many people.

It was somewhere at the back here that a schoolboy not long ago kicked up something in a field which proved to be a quern or hand-mill for grinding corn during the Roman occupation. It is certain from the varied relics of those days found between the town and Great Bowden that there must have been a Roman settlement here.

Still standing in Church Street is the house which was King Charles I's headquarters before the Battle of Naseby, and nearby was the inn where Oliver Cromwell wrote his report to Parliament of his victory.

THE parish church, begun in the 14th century, has a magnificent great spire dedicated to St.



The 17th-century Grammar School

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

PRINCESS MARGARET is to attend St. Paul's Cathedral next week for the inauguration of a nation-wide Bible-reading campaign which will continue through the autumn and winter.

It used to be said that the British people were "the people of one book"—the Bible—and there can be no doubt that the Bible has left its mark on the character and outlook of the British people.

Most people, certainly most homes, possess a copy of the Bible, and it still sells more widely than any other book in the English language.

But the Bible is not read as much as it should be, and this campaign is designed to get the Book opened and read regularly.

In the past the Bible has spoken to the British people and as a nation we owe it an immeasurable debt. Today, we still need to let it speak constantly, for its message is as vital and as much-needed as ever it was.

All over the country the campaign will go on, and the C.N. commends it to the goodwill and support of all its readers.

*Happiest they of human race
To whom God has granted
grace
To read, to fear, to hope, to
pray.*

Under the Editor's Table

Orchestras depend on their conductor. Although they know how to conduct themselves.

A new carpet costs five per cent more than a few weeks ago. Can you beat it?

Children are always eating. But do not swallow all they are told.

Parents are cushions between a young child and the world. And in these days are often sat on.

BILLY BEETLE



The Editor's Table

DETECTIVE STORY

A SWISS motorist travelling in France stopped to take some photographs. Hours later he found that he had left his camera by the roadside, and as it did not bear his name and address he considered that he had seen the last of it.

A few days passed and then a Frenchman, M. Garnier, called at his home in Geneva and returned the camera! Having picked up the camera, he had developed the film in it, and in one of the photographs had spotted the number of the Swiss car. He had then enlisted the services of the Swiss Consul in his town and thus had traced the owner of the car with that number.

A most happy combination of keen detective work and good intent. Sherlock Holmes himself could not have done better.

A most important 2d

INTO the offices of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation in Rome came one guinea and a letter from Miss Olive Corson of Huby, near Leeds, saying: "I'm sending this personal gift because I'm so shocked at the small amount contributed per head of the population by Britain."

"Don't be ashamed of the British Government's yearly contribution of 2d. per person," was the reply in a letter of thanks to Miss Corson; "it's the second highest in the world."

A FRIEND

What makes a friend? What filmy strands
Are these that turn to iron bands?

What knot is this so firmly tied
That naught but fate can now divide?

Ah, these are things one understands
But once or twice.

Austin Dobson

A kiwi by any name is just as welcome

WHEN the London Zoo received its first kiwi for 19 years it was decided to call him Percy.

But when the schoolchildren of Whangarei in the North Island of New Zealand learned of this they asked the Internal Affairs Department to cable to



London saying that they had already given him the Maori name of Ngapuhi.

This was done, so Ngapuhi will now be the name on the label outside his cage, though to the keepers, and to most visitors, he will probably still be just plain Percy!

Thirty Years Ago

TWO mysteries of the sea have recently come to light.

A steamer was rounding Cape Horn when the captain saw a gigantic iceberg floating in the water, and on it was a large three-masted schooner with its boats still in position, but apparently no one was on board. It was impossible to get near enough to it to see its name.

The other strange tale of the sea was when a Greenland whaler came upon a strange-looking derelict, which was evidently a vessel built a century or more ago.

A boarding party climbed on to the ship, and found in the cabin the body of a young woman, which had been strangely preserved by the cold; and near a long-dead fire were the remains of a young man with a flint and steel still in his hands, as though he were trying to strike a light. No one else was on board.

From the Children's Newspaper, October 20, 1923

HULLO, SANTA CLAUS!

SANTA CLAUS will be on the telephone again at Christmas, thanks to the Hull telephone exchange, the only municipally-owned public telephone system in the country.

He was on the telephone there for the first time last year, and the experiment was such a success that the service is to operate this year for four days instead of three, ending at midnight on Christmas Eve.

After midnight on Christmas Eve there will be no answer; Santa Claus will be engaged.

Think on These Things

JESUS learned lessons from God in all He saw around him—in the streets and in the fields—and one of his parables tells of a sower.

Seed that fell on the hard foot-path across the field had little chance to grow because the birds devoured it. Seed that fell among thorns was choked as it began to grow. Seed that fell in shallow ground had no harvest because there was no depth of soil for the seed to take root.

But seed that fell in good soil brought forth a harvest; and the meaning of the parable is that though the truth of God tries to find a hold everywhere, it is best understood by good people.

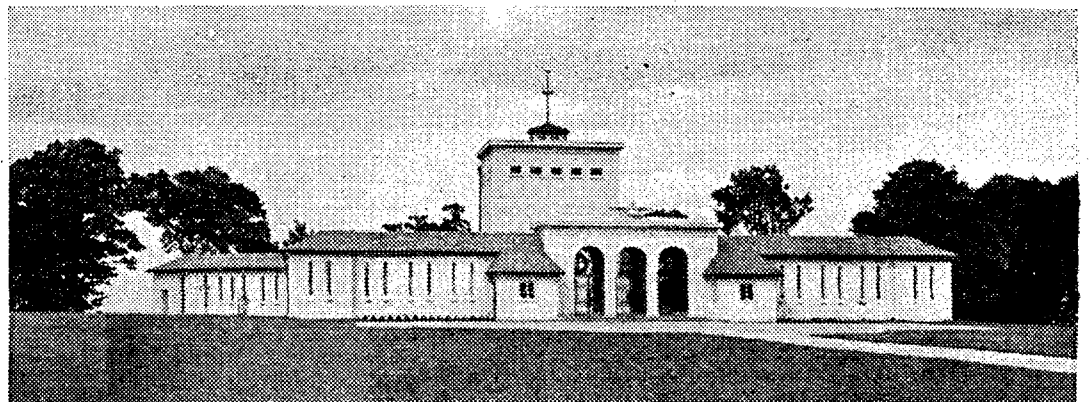
F. P.

At ancient Runnymede

THE Queen is going to Runnymede on Saturday to unveil a memorial to 20,456 officers and men of the Air Forces of the Commonwealth. All of them laid down their lives in the last war in operations from bases in the United Kingdom and North West Europe, and have no known grave.

Designed by Mr. Edward Maufe, R.A., the memorial is a cloistered shrine with the names of all the airmen inscribed on stone. Above an arch are three sculptured figures representing Justice, Victory, and Courage, and at the heart of the cloister is a Stone of Remembrance.

Fittingly at Runnymede, above the spot where in 1215 the seeds of English freedom were sown, will this shrine endure through all the years, commemorating a noble army who defended Freedom—even unto Death.



OUR HOMELAND

The Runnymede Memorial to Commonwealth airmen which the Queen is to unveil on Saturday

THEY SAY . . .

THERE is a saying that I try to live by—Always take your job seriously, never yourself.

President Eisenhower

YOU can get education through television, but can you ever depend on artificial means alone? Real education is based on the personal link between teacher and taught.

Mr. R. A. Butler

IF you meet a bear, turn around and walk the other way. The bear will do the same.

Printed advice to the citizens of Port Arthur, Ontario

THE great challenge of our generation is to bring peoples of the under-developed territories—two-thirds of the world's population—towards full partnership in our civilisation.

Sir Hartley Shawcross

IT is no use talking to teenagers about pensions and retirement and the like. We must appeal to them to save for their foreseeable future—perhaps a bicycle, or a motor-cycle, or an adventurous holiday abroad, or for educational books.

Vice-Chairman of the National Savings Committee

YOU young people are on the threshold of the greatest age in history.

Mr. Harry S. Truman

Out and about

AS the oak tree loses its leaves clusters of round, brown objects can often be seen on the twigs. They are solid, and have grown from the tree because of an irritant foreign body.

Last October a small wasp, of bright orange, purple, and yellow, pierced holes in the twigs and laid an egg in each. Vegetable matter from the tree then grew round each egg, gradually making what is called the oak gall or oak marble, and, less correctly, the oak apple.

The larva inside slowly grew fat, became a chrysalis which ate its way out of the gall, and then turned into another Cynips wasp.

The process will be repeated this month; but many of the galls we see may be several years older, and full of smaller parasites.

C. D. D.

JUST AN IDEA

As Dr. Cosmo Lang wrote: What men think out for themselves they never forget.

LEARNING TO BE A FARMER

Continuing the story of the progress of young Ian Farley, who has won a scholarship to an agricultural college.

10. Safeguarding the young piglets

DURING his weekends at the College, when he had nothing much to do, Ian used to make a practice of going for a walk round the farm. In this way he would often pick up valuable bits of knowledge, either from his own observations or from the farm workers he met during the course of his walks.

One Saturday he ended his walk at the College piggery where several breeding sows were kept and their litters reared and fattened for bacon.

THE NEW LITTER

The lectures he attends in the classroom had given Ian considerable knowledge about pigs, but he sought out the pigman, who was just starting to feed them, in the hope of getting a few extra tips.

"Hallo there, Ian," he said. "Are you looking for a job?"

"Not particularly," replied Ian. "I'm not dressed for work, I'm afraid. But what was it you wanted doing?"

"Oh, just to go and see that those twelve piglets that were born yesterday are all right. This is the first litter that that sow's had, and you can never be sure that she won't tread on them or even crush them by lying on them. Young pigs aren't very good mothers.

FOOD FOR PIGLETS

"The piglets should be all right though—we've fixed up one of those infra-red lamps in the corner of the pen so that the piglets will lie under that to keep warm instead of next to the sow."

Ian went off to see that they were all right and, sure enough, there were all the little piglets crowded under the warmth of the infra-red lamp, well away from the sow and in no danger of being trampled on or crushed.

Ian went back to report to the pigman and found him feeding a sow and litter. He noticed that

the half-grown piglets were eating a little of the sow's food, and he remarked on this.

"Yes," said the pigman, "we'll soon be getting them weaned off their mother's milk and taking ordinary food. In fact, I think I'll start giving them a bit on their own after tomorrow."

"How do you manage to do that," asked Ian. "Surely the old sow would eat any food you put down in the pen and leave none at all for the little ones?"

"She would if she got the chance," answered the pigman, "but we don't give her the opportunity. We put the little pigs' food in a trough behind a hurdle which they can get through but she can't."

"Ah, yes," said Ian, "I remember now. That's called the 'creep' system, isn't it? We were told about it in the lectures a week or two ago but I'd forgotten the name."



Prince Philip and Princess Elizabeth at a wedding in 1946

PRINCE PHILIP'S LIFE-STORY ON THE SCREEN

By the CN Film Critic

PRINCE PHILIP, the Duke of Edinburgh, is one of the best-known figures in Britain. But how much do we really know of his life before he married our Queen?

What sort of boy was he? Where did he go to school? What people and backgrounds played their part in making the man who was destined to fill such an exalted place in our country and Commonwealth?

A new documentary picture gives us the answers. It is called Prince Philip, a biography in film.

It is a combination of existing film shots of the Duke, of special film sequences photographed in the places where he has spent much time, and of still photographs—many of them unusual and unknown.

All the pictures are authentic; and, of course, we hear the Duke's own voice many times. He has seen the film himself, too.

The Duke's school? That was Gordonstoun, a boarding school on the east coast of Scotland. The film takes us there, as it is today, and we see exactly what manner of place it is and what kind of education the Duke received there.

Cut into these passages in the film are some of the still photographs of the young Prince Philip.



There is one memorable snap of him lying full-length on a sailing boat—a fair boy with windswept hair. As our reproduction shows, he looks utterly happy and in his element.

The sea, and work with the hands as well as study, figure prominently in the life at Gordonstoun. We can see that any boy at that school will naturally gravitate to the blue water. Prince Philip did, for in addition his uncle is Admiral Lord Mountbatten.

So next we see the Prince at the Royal Naval College at Dartmouth, under the Navy's strict discipline and tradition. There are some fine shots of Dartmouth in the film. Then the Prince entered the Senior Service as a very junior officer and served at sea throughout the war.

One very charming sidelight on his naval service shows him with his brother officers enjoying a darts match at a country inn.

Cricket, of course, must come into any Life of the Duke, and there are some grand pictures of him batting and bowling both at school and more recently in matches for the benefit of the

National Playing Fields Association.

Then come his meetings with our Royal Family. There are very simple and appealing glimpses of him with the then Princess Elizabeth, till we see him departing for his wedding—a gay, happy young naval officer, so soon to be called to serious and heavy national responsibility.

This film biography then takes us to meet the Duke today, with his keen and knowledgeable interest in science, sport, flying, and everything that appeals to the

young generation, the New Britain. It ends with that beautiful, moving, and very human picture of the Duke paying homage to his young wife, the Queen, at her Coronation.

This Royal biography is certainly something new and exciting in film making.

THE cowboy and Indian film—the Western—is popular with most of us, but something unusual and different in this line is a picture called *Shane*, which can soon be seen locally.

This is a story of the Wyoming frontier in the late 19th century, when law and order are gradually being established. It stars Alan Ladd, Van Heflin, and Jean Arthur.

Alan Ladd is Shane, a mysterious ranch-hand who rides into the Starrett settlement and becomes involved in the feud with the Ryker ranch gang who are trying to drive the settlers away from the prairie.

It seems that Shane is a coward, but there is a good reason for this, and it is discovered by Joey Starrett, played brilliantly by Brando de Wilde, a grand boy actor.

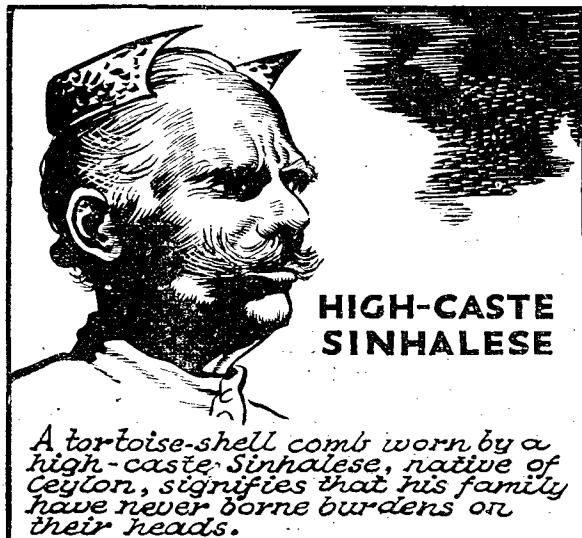
The camera work and Technicolor in *Shane* are superb.

IF you have ever been stage-struck you will appreciate a new Italian film called *Bellissima*, which tells the story of how a devoted mother tried to get her daughter into films and theatre.

There are English subtitles, so the language will not worry you.

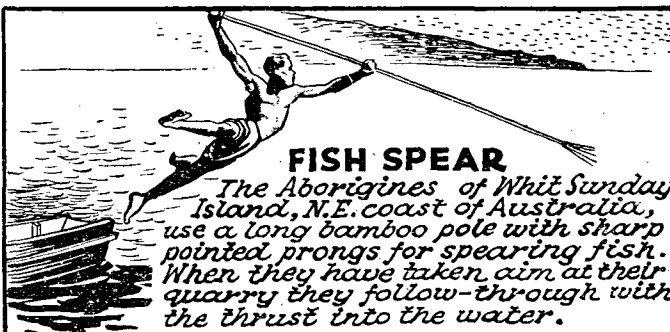
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HIGH-CASTE SINHALESE

A tortoise-shell comb worn by a high-caste Sinhalese, native of Ceylon, signifies that his family have never borne burdens on their heads.



FISH SPEAR

The Aborigines of Whit Sunday Island, N.E. coast of Australia, use a long bamboo pole with sharp pointed prongs for spearing fish. When they have taken aim at their quarry they follow-through with the thrust into the water.

PACIFIC DELICACY

Roast pig is a great delicacy in Fiji and elsewhere in the Pacific Islands. Wrapped in banana leaves, the pig is cooked by placing it in a pit of hot stones.



MAN OF VISION

Donald Alexander Smith joined the Hudson's Bay Company in 1838 and became its Governor in 1889. He was the moving spirit of the Canadian Pacific Railway in getting the line laid across Canada, and was raised to the peerage in 1897 as Lord Strathcona.

BRIDGES THROUGH THE CENTURIES

A new book guaranteed to interest any boy (or girl) of an engineering turn of mind is *The World's Great Bridges* (Phoenix House, 15s.) It is by H. Shirley Smith, a leading British civil engineer, and tells the story of bridge-building from very early times.

Working with saw, awl, chisel, axe, and hand- or horse-operated cranes, the ancient bridge-makers left works which are still the admiration of the world. There is, for instance, the Alcantara Bridge over the Tagus, built by the Romans 2000 years ago and still standing.

By contrast, Mr. Shirley Smith tells the strange story of Tacoma suspension bridge in the United States which lasted only for four months. It was nicknamed "Galloping Gertie" because even in a moderate wind its roadway undulated almost like a flag waving in a breeze. Car drivers passing over it said that vehicles ahead of them disappeared in the "trough" of its waves! It collapsed in November 1940, and a new bridge has since been built.

The triumphs of modern bridge-building, however, far outweigh the failures, and the fascinating story of them is well told in this book by an expert who helped to build some of them.

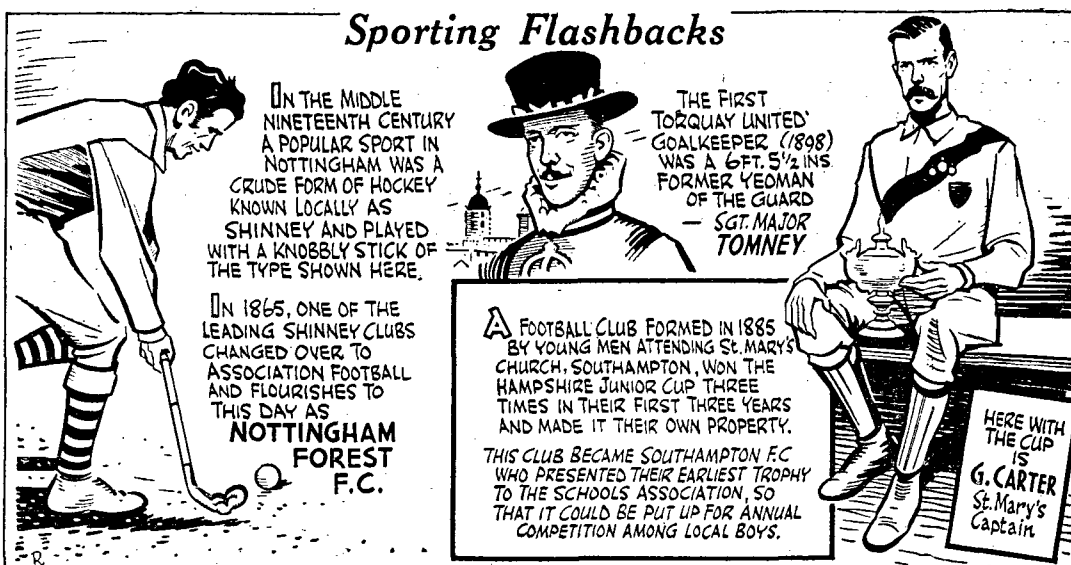
EVEREST TRIUMPH ON THE SCREEN

In London next Wednesday the Queen is to attend the first showing of *The Conquest of Everest*, a colour film composed almost entirely of shots taken by Tom Stobart, official cameraman during the successful climb.

He took nearly 30,000 feet of film—rather more than the height of Everest itself—and nearly all of it has been successfully processed for condensing into an 80-minute show.

Special music for the film has been composed by Arthur Benjamin, and the commentary, some of which is spoken by members of the Everest team, has been written by Louis MacNiece.

Sporting Flashbacks



TRINITY HOUSE RISES FROM THE RUINS

Next Wednesday the Queen will open the rebuilt Trinity House. The former building was gutted in the fire raid on the City of London in December 1940.

This was the third time that the Corporation of Trinity House had lost their headquarters by fire, and on each occasion they also lost valuable records, pictures, and furniture.

But it takes more than a fire to destroy the unique "Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Strond," whose charter goes back to the days of Henry VIII.

It is Trinity House which is responsible for all the lighthouses and lightvessels around the coast of England and Wales, the Channel Islands, and—unexpectedly enough—Gibraltar.

NEW LIGHTVESSELS

It maintains nearly 60 manned lighthouses and 40 minor lights, apart from some 600 buoys, many of them lighted.

It owns and mans over 30 lightvessels, of which 13 have been built since the war. These new ships are made of steel, have vastly improved crew accommodation, and generate their own electricity on board.

Trinity House also owns nine lighthouse tenders, among them the trim inspection vessel Patricia,

which had the privilege of preceding the Queen at the Naval Review and in which the Duke of Edinburgh went to the Olympic Games at Helsinki.

The Corporation of Trinity House licenses no fewer than 600 pilots, who are responsible for the safe navigation of vessels in the London district (which ranges from Felixstowe in the north to Dungeness in the south) and at 40 other ports in England, including Southampton. Though these pilots are licensed by Trinity House, they are not the servants of the Corporation.

MANY SERVICES

Trinity House also has ten pilot steamers and motor cutters for the pilotage service. In addition it grants the pilotage certificates to the masters and mates of British ships that exempt them in certain cases from compulsory pilotage.

Another important part of the Trinity Brethren's duties is acting as nautical assessors in marine cases tried by the Admiralty Court, where the judges have not the maritime knowledge necessary for assessing the highly technical evidence.

It is unique to have a private body, like Trinity House, responsible for a country's lighthouses, as elsewhere these are maintained by

government departments. In Scotland this work is undertaken by the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and in Ireland by the Commissioners of Irish Lights.

Money to maintain our lights comes from the General Light-house Fund, and is obtained by "light dues" charged upon all vessels using our ports.

In early days the right of the kings to grant permits to private individuals to build their own lighthouses and charge their own dues was a thorn in the flesh of Trinity House. Not only did it reduce the Corporation's income, but the individuals concerned often neglected to keep their lighthouses in order.

END OF PRIVATE LIGHTHOUSES

James I gave Trinity House exclusive rights to build lighthouses, but later withdrew the privilege. It was not until 1836 that Trinity House was given the right to buy out the owners of the private lighthouses.

The new Trinity House is considerably larger than the old one, but is suitably combined with the dignified façade of the gutted building, which was erected in 1803. It stands on Tower Hill at the very edge of the City, overlooking the Tower of London and the world-famed Pool.

THE QUEEN'S YACHT NEARLY READY

Rapid progress is being made on the Clyde in the construction of the Royal yacht Britannia, and she is due for engine trials at the end of this month.

With her royal blue hull, aluminium superstructure, and buff funnel, she is taking on a colourful appearance.

Her funnel, which is made of aluminium, contains silencers to quell machinery noises, a robot which will wash smuts out of smoke, and an apparatus for arresting sparks likely to be lurking in the flue gases. Aluminium has also been used in the hollow doors of the officers' and men's quarters.

In the crew's sleeping quarters ratings will be able to switch on hot, cold, or tepid air, according to the climate.

As well as cork and fibreglass another kind of cold-resisting material is being used. Shot onto the bare plates with air guns when wet, it dries steel hard.

To give corridors a feeling of spaciousness all casings are being painted in gleaming silver, but inside walls are in mottled green plastics. Some of the steel doors in the Royal quarters can be rolled up like a cloth window blind.

The Britannia's maiden voyage will be across the Mediterranean to El Adem, Tobruk, where the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh will embark after flying from Aden on the completion of their Commonwealth tour next April. After calling at Malta and Gibraltar, the Britannia will make for home.

SCOUTS GO TO IT

For five years the 100-strong Hailsham and District Boy Scouts have been meeting in a small room. Now the boys have decided to build a new headquarters costing £1200—nearly £1800 less than a builder's estimate.

Their president has given them a plot of land from his orchard, and with £400 which they have already raised the Scouts will make a start with borrowed equipment. Local builders have promised to give their help and advice.

THE REAL ROBINSON CRUSOE—the strange life-story of Alexander Selkirk (6)



Selkirk regained consciousness at the bottom of the precipice, and judged that he had lain there for 24 hours. The goat he had been chasing lay dead beneath him, its body having broken his fall. Painfully, he crawled back to his hut, which was about a mile away, and ten days passed before he was able to walk again.

His solitary life dragged on year in and year out. He ate chiefly goats' flesh, crawfish, "cabbage" from cabbage trees, fruit of the pimento tree, turnips, sometimes black plums, and he used black pepper for seasoning. There was plenty of fish, but he disliked it, and he never attempted to extract salt from seawater.

It was not until he had been on the island for 4 years and 4 months that he again spoke to his own kind. Two British privateers, the Duke and the Duchess, anchored in the bay, and a boat came ashore and took him on board the Duke. He was overcome with joy, but found he had almost forgotten how to speak.

He helped the sailors to get supplies. They were amazed at his swiftness in catching goats; he easily outdistanced a dog and men sent to assist him. He gave them fresh vegetables which they sorely needed, as well as fresh meat, for those who had scurvy. They took a fancy to him, calling him "Governor" of the island.

Will Alexander get safely back to England with these ships? See next week's instalment

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Continuing

DANGER MOUNTAIN

by Patrick Pringle

Jack and Robin Hilton are with their parents in Switzerland. They go ski-ing with Junge, the daughter of a ski instructor, and see a man steal an attaché case from their hotel. The next day Junge tells the boys that her father, Rudi, knows the thief.

7. The power station

"His name is Otto Bauer," Junge told the boys.

Junge said that the man had been a cleaner at the hotel about four years ago, but he had stayed only a few weeks.

"A camera was stolen," she explained. "The manager—the old one—searched the servants' quarters, and found the camera in Otto's room. He confessed, and was sent away. They did not want a scandal, so they did not call in the police."

"Would anyone else at the hotel remember him?" Jack asked.

"Rudi says the chef was there then, and perhaps one of the chambermaids. No one has asked them yet, and they haven't heard what the thief looks like. But I have another clue," Junge went on. "His brother lives in the village."

"What!" exclaimed Jack. "Where? Who is he? How—"

"His name is Emil, and he is in charge of the power plant," said Junge. "The hydro-electric station. It was his father's job before him, and he was born in Edelberg. So was Otto, but he ran away as a boy. He made bad friends and was in much trouble."

Caught stealing

"Got into a gang of crooks and was sent to prison, I expect," said Robin.

"What happened I do not know. But four years ago he came back to Edelberg, and Emil got him the job at the hotel. After he was caught stealing Emil turned him away."

"Where's the power station?" asked Jack.

"On the Gfahrhorn."

"Is that the big mountain?"

"Yes."

"How do we go up?"

Junge pointed to a path leading up the mountainside.

"After one kilometre it makes two paths. The one on the left goes to the chair lift, which takes you up the mountain. The other goes to the power station."

"Let's go," said Jack.

Junge told them to keep their skis on the toboggan, as it was uphill all the way. The path was well trodden as far as the fork, but when they left the route to the chair lift the snow was much softer.

"It will be easy to see if Otto has gone there," said Junge. "He had not got skis, and it hasn't snowed since last night. We shall see his footmarks."

"There aren't any prints here," said Jack.

"He probably would not come up here," said Junge. "He would

have had to come through the village to reach it. He could have gone up from the road and then round the back of the nursery slopes."

A turn of the path brought the mountain into view.

"How high is it?" Jack asked.

"Nearly four thousand metres," Jack whistled.

"About thirteen thousand feet," he said. "What did you say it was called?"

"The Gfahrhorn. You might translate it as—Danger Mountain."

"Danger Mountain!" Robin said the words almost lovingly. "Is it very dangerous?"

"It has caused great tragedies," said Junge seriously. "There was



"You might translate it as—
Danger Mountain"

a falling away—how do you say—"

"Landslide," suggested Jack.

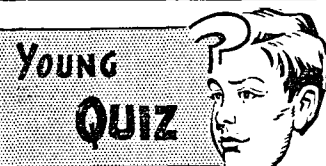
"Not land, but rocks. On the slopes beyond the power house. People were killed."

"When was that?"

"Oh, many years ago. Before I was born. But it spoiled much of the ski-ing, and on this side it is still dangerous."

"You mean the rocks might fall?"

"Oh, no," she said quickly. "The danger is if you try to ski down, and hit a rock. But no one skis on this side now."



- YOUNG QUIZ**
- 1 What is anthracite?
 - 2 What are a bird's mandibles?
 - 3 Who wrote Wuthering Heights?
 - 4 Augment means to increase, argue, or end?
 - 5 Which country is the larger: Ireland or Iceland?
 - 6 Who is President of Yugoslavia?
 - 7 What is a ukelele?
 - 8 What is the largest living bird?

Answers on page 12

The path turned again, and they saw the power station.

"Where does the power come from?" asked Robin.

"The river. You will hear it in a moment."

When they heard it the river sounded like a roaring torrent. It was very narrow, and the power station was built right over it.

"Where does the river start?" asked Robin.

"At the top of Danger Mountain. It is only melting snow."

They stopped at the first pylon from the power station.

"Can we make a detour here?" asked Jack.

Junge said they could. The upper side of the path was thickly wooded, but she said a path through the trees would bring them out at the back of the station.

"We must leave the toboggan here and carry our skis," she said.

On Danger Mountain

They passed close enough to the building to hear the hum of the dynamos. The trees ended suddenly, and when they came out they seemed to be perched on the side of Danger Mountain.

"Put on your skis," Junge ordered them; then she led them slightly uphill until they came to the river. She had brought them to a narrow plank bridge.

"I shall go first," she said. "Look straight ahead—it is very easy."

Jack made Robin go next. It was indeed easy to cross the bridge, but the rushing of the water below sounded loud and angry.

As they continued to traverse the slope they worked their way round to the other side of the building. Suddenly Junge let out an exclamation.

"Look!" she said.

They were footprints without doubt—a single track, leading from below up to the power station.

"It must have taken him several hours," said Junge. "You can see how deep his feet went in the snow." She broke off suddenly as she saw a woman appear outside the power station. "Quick—over here!"

"Well done," Junge said, when all three were behind a group of large boulders.

The woman did not appear to have seen them, and after a few moments she went back into the power station.

A little lower down there was a line of isolated trees that led almost up to the power station. It was easy to reach the first tree. Then, in single file, they went from tree to tree—each time making a dash and then pausing for breath. There were two trees together at the end of the line, and they could huddle behind these without being visible from the power station.

The place looked deserted again, and Jack wondered if they had gained anything. Then he drew in

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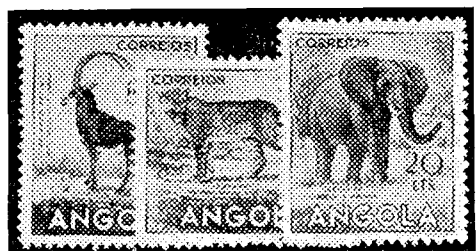
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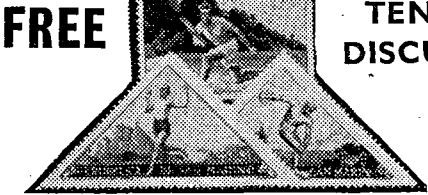
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THE centre-half of the Eton Manor Football Club, of East London, should be able to out-jump his opponents when the ball is in the air, for he is Derek Cox, the A.A.A. high jump champion.

THE London to Brighton running record was shattered recently by 45-year-old South African Wally Hayward, who covered the 52-miles course in 5 hours 29 minutes 40 seconds. The reception committee had to race to the finishing post, for he beat the previous record by more than 22 minutes. Hayward is not only the South African marathon champion, but is unbeaten in all races beyond 26 miles.

Now comes a London to Brighton and back running race. It will be held on Saturday and some of our finest road runners will be taking part. The competitors leave Croydon at 6 a.m. and run to Westminster, where they will turn and cover the 52 miles to Brighton, before retracing their footsteps to Croydon, to complete the 104-mile course.

BRIAN WALSH, Arsenal's brilliant young outside-right, had two sporting loves in his schoolboy life—football and athletics. While still at the Isleworth County School, he was Junior A.A.A. 440-yard champion. He might easily have become an Olympic runner, but when he signed professional forms for Arsenal he had to forsake amateur athletics.

ALAN SPENCER, 17-year-old member of Blackheath Wanderers, a Kent cricket club, will join the Worcestershire ground staff next Spring. He was captain of the Lewisham School XI for two years and also appeared in the Kent Schools representative team. Alan is an opening batsman, and scored well over 1000 runs during the past summer.

ONE of the most important Soccer matches for some years will take place at Wembley on Wednesday, October 21. England meet the Federation Internationale Football Associations, whose "Rest of the World" eleven will comprise outstanding players from all over Europe and South America. The game celebrates the F.A.'s 90th birthday and will be attended by football personalities from all over the world. In 1939 England met a "Rest of Europe XI," and won 3-1. Then in 1947, a team representing Great Britain met the Rest of Europe at Glasgow, and triumphed 6-1.

THE New York Yankees have become American Baseball League champions for the fifth successive year

ALREADY challenging for a place in the Chelsea League team is 17-year-old Ronald Tindall of Camberley, who is scoring many goals for the Reserves. Ronald is also a fine cricketer and is on the ground staff of Surrey C.C.C.

SHEILA CAMERON, 16, has won the Perth High School Girls' swimming championship for the third year in succession.

THE first junior Korfbal representative match ever staged in England was held recently when an under-16 team from London met a Derby side. Korfbal, which originated in Holland, is similar to netball. Teams are composed of six boys and six girls, boy marking boy and girl marking girl.

DANGER MOUNTAIN

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a sharp breath as two men came out.

One was Otto, the thief.

They were both walking, but the second man was carrying skis and sticks. They were talking, and their voices were raised as if they were quarrelling.

As Junge caught snatches of their conversation she gave hurried translations.

"They argue... Emil says Otto must go... Otto says he cannot... he is too tired... Emil tells him he must... he calls him thief."

The men were getting angrier and angrier. Emil seemed to be offering his brother the skis, but Otto kept waving them away. Then Emil clutched him by the arm. Otto made a violent movement to throw him off, and aimed a blow at the other man. It caught Emil on the shoulder, and he dropped the skis and rushed at Otto. The next moment the two men closed.

The fight stopped suddenly. The

two men went on talking, but quietly, and Junge could no longer hear what they said. Then they saw Otto pick up the skis and put them on.

Emil stood watching, and finally picked up the ski sticks and gave them to his brother. Then he held out his hand.

Otto hesitated, then brushed past without taking it. Without looking back he ski-ed out of the entrance of the power station. He reached the path leading to Edelberg, and stopped at the first pylon. For a moment Jack thought the man had seen Junge's toboggan. Then Otto left the path on the lower side, and made a detour below the power station. Ski-ing fast, he finished his run over a 100 feet below where Junge and the boys were hiding. Then he disappeared from sight.

"He's got away again," said Jack flatly.

"But we shall catch him this time," Junge replied confidently. "I know where he is going."

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Young Traffic Police

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The authorities were not impressed by the idea, but a start was made with ten pupils chosen from a school in Amsterdam. They were sent on a course run by the police, learning road safety and how to control the traffic. When

they had passed their tests they went into action, two of them being on duty each week at dangerous crossing places near their school.

So successful were they that many other squads were trained, with the result that road accidents to children have been halved since 1947.

The police boys and girls carry a large circular disc on the end of a baton, and some of them wear uniforms—a white coat with chevrons on the cuffs and a white sou-wester hat.

Impressed by their good work, Finland, Denmark, and Israel have followed the example set by Holland's children.

STAMP NEWS

THE 1855 Swedish three skilling banco printed in yellow instead of blue-green, only one copy of which is known to exist, is now the highest-priced stamp in the world. A Toronto collector has paid £12,720 for it, over £2000 more than the price paid for the 1856 British Guiana one cent in 1940.

NEW ZEALAND'S 1953 health stamps, featuring Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, are to be issued next month.

EX-KING FAROUK'S stamp collection is to be auctioned in Cairo soon. It is known to be worth hundreds of thousands of pounds.

MORE than 700,000 requests from all parts of the world were received by the U.S. Post Office for first-day covers bearing the stamp commemorating Theodore Roosevelt.

THE United Nations' third commemorative issue this year, drawing attention to the organisation's work in the undeveloped parts of the world, will be issued on United Nations Day, October 24.

PLANS are already under way to hold an international philatelic exhibition at Auckland in 1955 to mark the centenary of New Zealand stamps.

CN Competition No. 38
First Prize—This
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Ten Fountain-Pens
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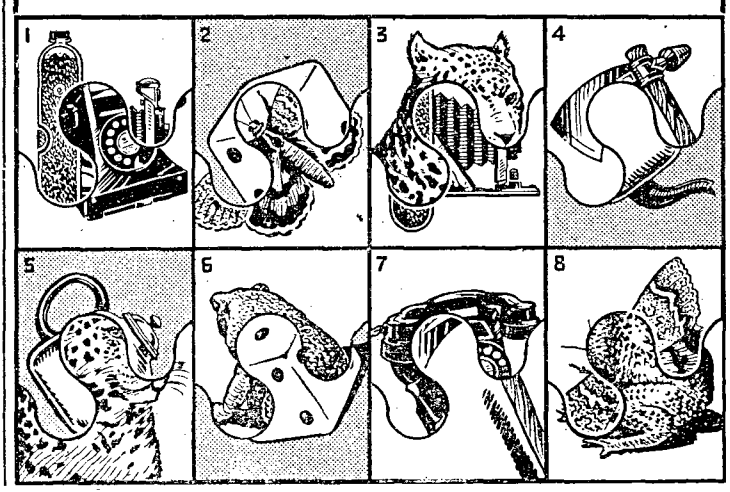
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Give your answers in a neat numbered list on a postcard, add your name, age, and address, and ask a parent or teacher to sign it as your own unaided work. Finally, cut out the competition token (marked CN token) from the foot of the back page of this issue, and paste it on to your entry card.

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THE BRAN TUB

SAFETY FIRST

"MUMMY," said a small boy, "do people ever get into trouble for telling the truth?"

"Of course not, dear. Why do you ask?"

"Well, I've just eaten three of those cakes you baked."

Like Billio

WHenever we use the phrase "like Billio" to express enthusiasm we recall the name of Joseph Billio, who came to Maldon, Essex, in 1696 as its first Congregational minister. He went about his duties with such a zest that his name became a byword for energetic enthusiasm, and has continued so ever since.

BEDTIME CORNER

Fuzzipig's winter overcoat

FUZZIPIG THE HEDGEHOG was worried. Winter was near, but because he had spent so much time practising climbing walls and rolling off them in a ball, he had not properly learned his mother's Rules for Cold Weather.

Now she was away on her own affairs, so he could not ask her again. He decided to ask the other woodlanders. He tackled the Dormouse first.

"Well, I eat—and eat—and eat," yawned the Dormouse. "If you're fat you don't feel the cold. And then I sleep."

So for days and days Fuzzipig ate and ate till he was portly and sleepy. Then he asked Brock, the Badger where to sleep.

"You want a snug hole filled with dry grass for bedding," advised Brock.

So Fuzzipig found a hole on a bank top under an elm, collected his bedding, and turned in. But the east wind whistled through the cracks,



Jacko, going home downcast, was not looking where he was going.

Sammy Simple

"I HEAR that you can swim, Sammy. Where did you learn?"

"In the water."



The resulting collision proved most upsetting for the fish porter.

Cutting remarks

THE penknife and scissors were having a race, trying which could most rapidly sever some lace from a handkerchief old, and their pointed remarks and cutting rejoinders, of course, caused some sparks.

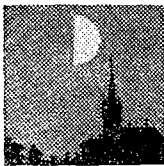
The penknife said sharply, "You just cut and run!"

The scissors, more bluntly, "I'll go when I've done!"

And being unable to make them shut up, Between them the old lace became quite "cut up!"

OTHER WORLDS

IN the evening Jupiter is low in the east. In the morning



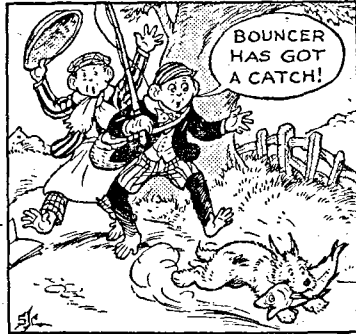
Venus and Mars are in the south-east. The picture shows the Moon as it appears at six o'clock on Thursday evening, October 15.

Crossword puzzle

READING ACROSS. 1 Bluish 5 Fuss. 8 Frightened. 9 Armoured vehicles. 11 Cushion. 12 Night before. 13 Exclamation. 15 Scrape. 17 Discard. 20 Automobile Association. 22 Single. 23 Help. 25 Slip. 27 Keep coal in it. 29 Domestic fowl. 29 Green spot in desert.

READING DOWN. 1 Not now. 2 Blades. 3 Class. 4 Hasten. 5 Electrical unit. 6 Deprives of feeling. 7 Strange. 10 Greed. 14 Conjunction. 16 Father. 18 Expectations. 19 Acts. 21 Highest male voice. 23 Tree. 24 Brown. 26 Alabama.

Answer next week



And Bouncer, well placed for a catch, made the most of his opportunity.

Fill it in

PUT two letters in front and the same two letters in the same order behind each of these grouped letters to make a common word in each case.

QUI -- UR --
GRA -- RMI --
CAP -- STA --

Answer next week

FARMER GRAY EXPLAINS

WASPS AND WET WEATHER. "We made 17 lbs. of blackberry jam this year," Ann told Farmer Gray.

"Well done! You must have worked hard," smiled the farmer.

"It was because there were no wasps," put in Don. "Usually when we go blackberrying they scare us from picking the best berries."

"You have the wet Spring to thank for the shortage of wasps," explained Farmer Gray. "They thrive in dry, hot weather, but despite the occasional wet seasons they manage to survive. Wasps do far more good than harm, you know, for they destroy hosts of insect pests."

SQUARE FRUITS

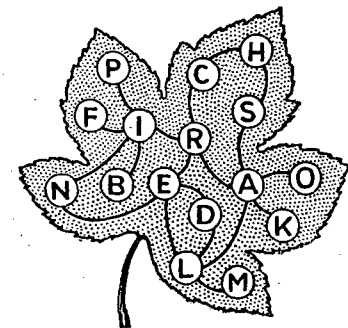
THIS square contains the names of nine fruits. Can you find them all? Start in the top left-hand corner and move sideways, straight up, or straight down, one letter at a time, to finish in the bottom right-hand corner.

P M P N A A P
L U E A N I R
E L A B A C O
M H C N O A T
O N C H L P P
R O E E E M L
A N G R R Y E

Answer next week

Can you . . .

. . . find the names of eight trees by starting at certain letters and following the lines? You must not move from one letter to another unless there is a connecting line between them.



Ash, elm, oak, fir, birch, pine, elder, larch.

Nothing in mind

SAID, a very young artist called Susan:

"When sketching I'm filled with confusion;

To be perfectly frank

My board remains blank,

For I can't even draw a conclusion."

YOUNG QUIZ—answers

- 1 A hard coal.
- 2 The two parts of its beak.
- 3 Emily Brontë.
- 4 Increase.
- 5 Iceland.
- 6 Marshal Tito.
- 7 A small guitar with four strings.
- 8 The ostrich.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Elastic words

Faint, shame, sheet, agony, stout, manor, crony

Rhyming puzzle

Pity, witty, city, kitty, dirty

Two threes

Winnow, ashore, carfew, hatred, paltry

Riddle-me-ree

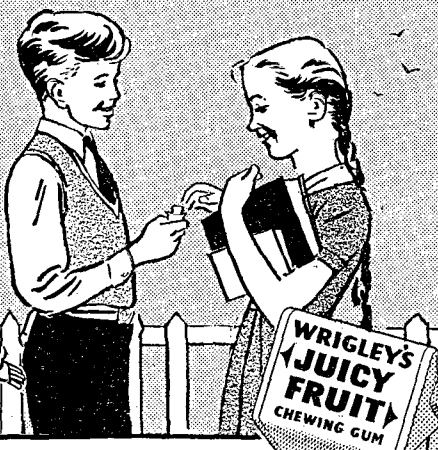
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